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SUBJECT: MOROCCAN EXHIBIT AT TEXTILE MUSEUM, WASHINGTON
FOR CPAO BEHRENS

1. DEPTOFF (AF/N) VISITED DIRECTOR LANDREAU OF TEXTILE MUSEUM MARCH 26 TO DISCUSS SUBJECT EXHIBIT. LANDREAU PROPOSED SUNDAY AFTERNOON OPENING MAY 19 SO THAT MUSEUM GARDENS COULD BE USED FOR RECEPTION. HE EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF EXPEDITIOUS SHIPMENT OF MOROCCAN CARPETS AND HOPEFULLY SOME COSTUMES SO THAT MUSEUM COULD SELECT SHOW AND PREPARE LITERATURE. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HOPE THAT COLLECTION INCLUDE BEST QUALITY ANTIQUE CARPETS FROM ATLAS MOUNTAINS AS WELL AS RABATI WORK.

2. IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS, LANDREAU SAID HE EXPECTED GOM TO PAY FREIGHT AND INSURANCE FOR COLLECTION IN TRANSIT TO MUSEUM, AND THAT MUSEUM WOULD PROVIDE INSURANCE WHILE COLLECTION IN ITS POSSESSION. HE SAID THERE POSSIBILITY SMITHSONIAN MIGHT PROPOSE TRAVELING EXHIBIT OF COLLECTION, COSTS OF WHICH WOULD ORDINARILY BE BORNE BY EXHIBITORS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY. THIS DECISION COULD ONLY BE MADE AFTER COLLECTION ARRIVES IN WASHINGTON.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADVICE YOU MAY HAVE ON ABOVE POINTS. RUSH

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